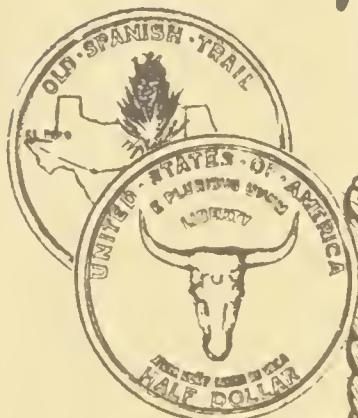


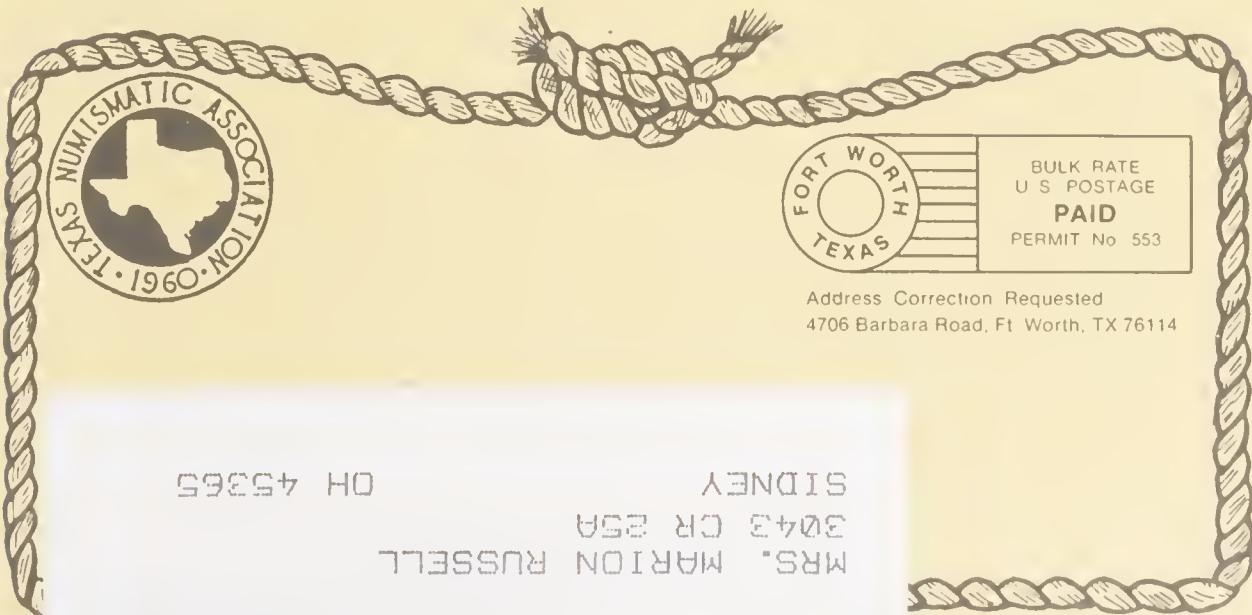
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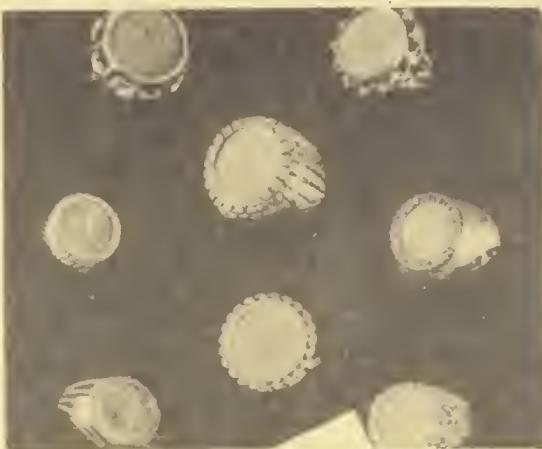
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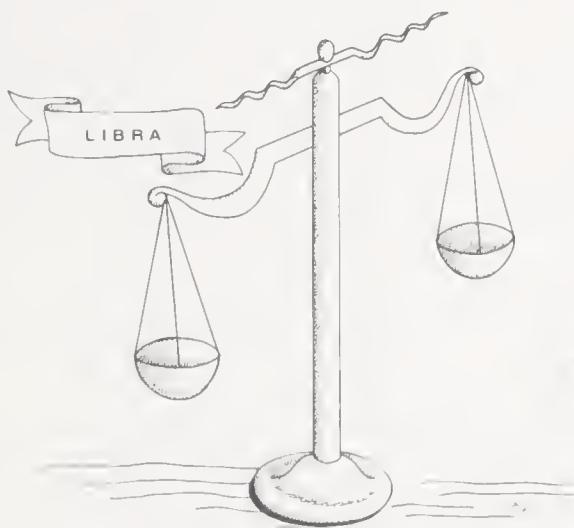
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The November issue should bring you up to date on the mid-year TNA business session held in Austin.

REMEMBER — The
1st of November is the deadline for the December issue.

PRESIDENT'S

MESSAGE

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I have noticed that the coin shop activity in single collections has been increasing. Also, the sale of coin folders and supplies is on the upswing. Bullion prices are continuing in a narrow range, with a slight noticeable upturn in purchasing by the general public. This may be a good sign.

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TNA's next annual convention

will be in Amarillo in 1984. The dates are May 4, 5, 6 and the event will be held in the Civic Center with Amarillo Coin Club as host. Quality Inn has been selected as headquarters motel with a shuttle bus operating between the motel and the center. It's not too early to start making plans to attend. This promises to be bigger and better than ever! Show officials are working hard coordinating all the activities taking place.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN NAMED FOR 1984 TNA CONVENTION

Committee chairmen named by Amarillo Coin Club have taken over assigned duties to host the 1984 Texas Numismatic Association convention on May 4, 5, 6 in the spacious Amarillo Civic Center. Curtis H. Maple, general chairman, has announced the following:

Homer Dotts, 1315 Dahlia, Amarillo 79107, will be in charge of bourse table reservations; and Ted Johannsen, 6515 Garwood, Amarillo 79109, has been named exhibit chairman.

In charge of entertainment will be Nela Runkle, 4304 Jennie, Amarillo

79106; and Jim Jordan, 1904 Rogers, Amarillo 79106 will head up the committee organizing the program booklet.

Others serving are: Elisa Thompson, registration; Don Terrill, publicity; Francis Runkle, breakfasts; Jimmy Eddington, electrical service; Dave Cervin, educational program; Dave Clugy, auction; Mike Eklund, display cases; and Jimmy Stevens, security.

For more convention details, contact Maple, 305 Appaloosa, Amarillo 79108. (806/383-5765).

THE STORY BEHIND THE COIN

Lee Grossman,
San Antonio, Tx.

IS IT REALLY A THREE-LEGGED BUFFALO NICKEL?

Most coin collectors know about the 1937 3-legged variety of Buffalo nickel struck at the Denver mint. The popularity of this coin is such that it is listed in Richard S. Yeoman's "GUIDE

BOOK OF UNITED STATES COINS" and in almost all U.S. catalogs.

It catalogs for \$175 in good condition to \$750 in MS-60, and \$4,375 in MS-65. Since its spectacular rise in value, many counterfeits and alterations of this coin have appeared, and it is wise to have such a coin checked and authenticated by an authoritative coin dealer or experienced numismatist. The 1937-D mint-struck 3-legged Buffalo nickel is one of the rare coins of recent mintage, and the exact number struck will never be known. Comparatively few, however, were bagged for shipment before the error was discovered. Most of these have been traced to Idaho and Montana. A majority of the states received none at all.

It should be noted that for some unknown reason, the die that was used for coining the 3-leggers, was entirely different from the die used for the regular 4-legged variety. Evi-



Lee Grossman



dently the broken or clogged die that caused the 3-leg irregularity, must have been completely destroyed when the imperfection was discovered. It is almost an impossibility to duplicate the mint-struck 1937-D five cent 3-legger.

How can you determine if you have a genuine 3-legged nickel or a fake? Use this checklist:

- The entire Buffalo on the mint-struck 3-legger is slightly smaller than the Buffalo on any other nickel in the Buffalo series from 1913 to 1938. Naked eye comparison will reveal this difference.
- The "E PLURIBUS UNUM" is smaller on the 3-legger than it is on other Buffalo nickels. The lower ends of the "P" and "U" in the motto are well above the Buffalo's back on the 3-leggers; the tips of these same letters almost touch the Buffalo's back on other Buffalo nickels.
- The goatee or beard on the 3-legged is narrower than that of all

other Buffalo nickels. The tip ends of the beard on the 3-legged Buffalo are sharper pointed and the right tip hangs lower than the left one. The beard tips on all other Buffalo nickels are rather blunt.

- The area in front of the Buffalo's shoulder (down low) on the 3-legger is narrower than it is on all others.

- The Buffalo's hoof below the missing leg on the 3-legger is a weak strike; on the others it is bold and well-struck. The area between the front and hind legs of the 3-legger is perfectly level where it joins the front leg and body. On all others, a narrow sunken area can easily be seen with the naked eye by tipping the coin. Other Buffalo coins are not so equipped.

- The tip under the belly of the Buffalo on the 3-legger is different from the ones found on other Buffalo nickels. On the 3-legger, this tip is longer, narrower, tipped back towards the Buffalo's hind leg, and appears disconnected from the body, thus forming a ball. On all others, this tip is much shorter, wider and squared at the end.

- The hind legs on the 3-legged Buffalo are narrower, more gracefully formed, better proportioned. However, they are not fully rounded, which gives them a moth-eaten appearance. The hind legs on all others are fully rounded, thicker and more stocky looking.

Since the spectacular rise in values, many counterfeits and alterations of this coin have appeared. As I previously stated, if you plan to buy

one - either have it checked by an expert or ask for the ANACS papers or OIN Attribution papers.

In 1965, a most unusual Buffalo nickel was publicized to everyone's amazement. It was a 2-legged nickel, which was found in circulation by a policeman in New Brunswick, N.J. As far as it is known, this is an unique piece, and after undergoing many checks, was declared authentic. The coin was found while searching through a few hundred thousand five-cent pieces. All of which indicates the possibility of many unusual and rare items that may still be in circulation.

According to Frank Spadone, an author and expert on FIDOs (Freaks, Irregulars, Defects and Oddities), some 1936 2-leggers have been reported which were caused by a filled die.

Whether the 3-legged 1937-D mint-struck Buffalo nickel was the result of a filled die, or the result of a workman's tool on the die, may never be known.

By the way, I found my 3-legged Buffalo in change in 1950. But that's another story.



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COMMEMORATIVE COINS ISSUED FOR SCOUTING CELEBRATION



Two from the series of coins celebrating "The Year of the Scout" (1982-1983) struck by the British Royal Mint. The reverse designs for Tristan da Cunha (left) and Turkey (right).

On behalf of 12 nations celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Scout Movement and the 125th anniversary of the birth of its founder, the British Royal Mint has been authorized by **The World Scout Movement** to strike gold and silver coins. At this time the coins of five countries commemorating the "Year of the Scout" (1982-1983) are available to North American collectors: Ascension Island, East Caribbean States, St. Helena, Tristan da Cunha, and Turkey.

The coins of Liberia, the sixth in the first set, are currently in the final stages of design. Design details of the other coins are still being finalized. The legal tender coins are subject to very low issue limits, namely 2,000 in both gold proof and gold uncirculated and 10,000 in both silver proof and silver uncirculated.

The Scout Movement began in 1907 when Robert Baden-Powell, a British army officer close to retirement, tested some of his ideas for training young people for responsible citizenship at an experimental camp at Brownsea Island, on England's south coast. At the camp there were 20 boys, but when Baden-Powell published his ideas in **SCOUTING FOR BOYS** in the following year, the word spread overseas and around the globe and today some 16 million Scouts in 150 countries embrace the Scout promise, "I will do my best, to do my duty . . . to help other people and to keep the Scout law." In fact, at some time in their lives, over 200 million people have been members of the Scout Movement.

Struck in 916.6 gold and .925 sterling silver, the coins depict various

scenes in Scouting. The Tristan da Cunha 2-pound gold coin shows a group of Scouts aboard a small sailing vessel, while the 25 pound bears the Year of the Scout symbol, the fleur-de-lys which was originally used by Baden-Powell, and represents north on the compass - "the way forward."

The reverse of the St. Helena 2-pound gold depicts a group of Scouts at a campfire preparing food while the 25 pound bears the Year of the Scout international logo with the inscription "The Year of the Scout — 1907-1982." The East Caribbean States \$500 gold reverse shows Scouts hiking, while the \$50 silver portrays a group around the camp fire.

The 2-pound Ascension Island gold coin shows a Scout hiking, and the reverse of the 25 pound silver coin bears the famous Jagger portrait of Lord Baden-Powell. All eight coins of the British Commonwealth Nations bear the renowned Arnold Machin portrait of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II.

Turkey's 30,000 Lira gold coin bears the fleur-de-lys and the Year of the Scout logo on its reverse, while the 500 Lira silver depicts a group of Scouts climbing a mountain with

their ridge tent pitched in the foreground. The common obverse bears an inscription in Turkish.

Both Liberian coins will share a common obverse bearing the Liberian Crest, a sailing boat and palm tree with the sun in the background. The reverse of the \$200 gold coin will show a Scout saluting. The details of the reverse of the \$20 silver are currently being completed.

As a special consideration to collectors, the Royal Mint is offering a discount on advance purchase of the first set of six coins. Alternatively, each coin can be purchased on an individual basis.

Inquiries should be addressed to the British Royal Mint, % Barclays Bank of New York, N.A., Box 2570, New York, NY 10163.

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EDITOR

It's not too early to be thinking about the Club Salute Award for 1983 to be given at the 1984 Amarillo convention. Your club could be a winner! Texas coin clubs are invited to select their top accomplishments for 1983 and compete for the award. Look elsewhere in this issue of **TNA NEWS** for details on submitting your report. And many thanks to **Austin Coin Club**. Club members provide this award each year and we truly appreciate this kind of gesture . . .

Did you know that the Statue of Liberty contains 200,000 pounds of copper and 250,000 pounds of steel for a total weight of 450,000 pounds? The statue is due an overall repair job estimated to cost about \$20 million. The original cost was only \$475,000. French sculptor Frederic Auguste Bartholdi designed the statue and the frame work was done by another Frenchman, Gustave Eiffel, who also designed the Eiffel Tower. The statue was sent to this country in 1885, dismantled and packed in 214 crates. From the base to the torch, it is 151 feet and one inch tall; from the foundation to the torch, 305 feet . . .

Here's a different slant to most popular superstitions: Thirteen at a table is unlucky when the hostess has only 12 steaks. A black cat crossing your path signifies that the animal is some where. To carry a rabbit's foot is a sign that you are a good shot with a gun. Finding a four-leaf clover is a sign that you have been down on your hands and knees. Singing before breakfast is a forewarning of a fight with a neighbor if the neighbor is trying to sleep late. When three men get a light off one match, it could mean they have only one match . . .

When Ethel Merman, the Broadway musical star, was a young girl she participated in talent contests trying to get her start in show business. The prizes were \$5 gold pieces. One was held over each contestant's head and the one who received the most applause got to keep it. Lucky Ethel invariably won . . . The U.S. Postal Service will release two 1983 Christmas 20-cent stamps October 28 in Washington, D.C. for the madonna and child, and in Santa Claus, Ind., for the Santa stamp . . . **BALANCED BUDGET:** That's when the money in the bank and the days in the month run out together . . . adios & thirty

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junior readin' roundup

Texas Numismatic Association

Todd Shewmaker - Youth Chairman
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On February 10, 1983 the first Olympic commemorative coin was struck by Donna Pope, the Director of the United States Mint.

The Olympic Commemorative Coin Act allows for 52 million commemorative coins honoring the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. Twenty-five million of these coins will be 1983 silver dollars and 25 million will be 1984 silver dollars. Two million will be 1984 ten dollar gold coins.

The obverse of the 1983 coins features a discus thrower. The legend reads: LOS ANGELES/XXIII OLY-

MPIAD/LIBERTY. To the right of the discus thrower are the Olympic rings and moving stars. The reverse design depicts the bust of the American eagle with the inscription E-/PLURIBUS/UNUM. The legend around the design reads UNITED STATES OF AMERICA/ONE DOLLAR.

The 1984 silver dollar and the ten dollar gold coins' obverse/reverse legends will be different than the 1983 silver dollars. All of these coins would be a great addition to any sports collection.

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The ANA convention and Alicia are now both history and memories, both good and bad. I had planned to attend much of the ANA convention but the company changed my schedule and I only was there for PNG Day but I did get to see a good number of Texas people. One of the familiar faces was that of Jerry Williams, District XV governor.

An evening with J. Cline, TNA member who resides in Dayton, Ohio, gave me a very good report of the activities in the coin market. He stated that the market seemed to be very strong from the viewing of buying and selling of both dealer and collector. This viewpoint is also shared in a report seen in **World Coin News**. We are most happy to see that the hobby is not dead.

The exhibit area was closed off to me as I could not judge this year due to the shortness of my stay. Reports have come that the exhibits were few and from one source they were good but from yet another source they were not so very good.

I have received letters from TNA members who want to become judges. I am really happy for these and, at this writing, look forward to working with them at Austin and in Houston as well. I cannot emphasize enough how badly we need a pool of judges to serve TNA. As these new volunteers are broken in to the needs and responsibilities, I'm sure that many views which are held now will change. TNA needs at least a dozen new volunteers to get this project off the ground and instituted in Amarillo. We need at least three (3) judges for every field in which TNA awards an award. I'm sure that some of these new judges can wear two hats at once but this is not what we are really trying to attain. So come on all you governors, representatives and just collectors; if you are knowledgeable in a field, TNA needs you.

Remember — TNA in Amarillo is not as far away as it was last April. We need good exhibits as well as judges.



from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

Eleanor Kennedy

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WELCOME to new members 4395-4398. If approved the following will become members November 1, 1983.

4399 (D-10) Ms Lillian Reeves Stull, 805 Nobel St., El Paso, TX. 79902. John Berger Jr.

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4401 George E. McNiece, Box 1338, Willis, TX. 77378. Silver dollars & commemoratives. Gerald Kendall.

4402 (D-10) Gordon L. Poer, 6224 Camino Alegre, El Paso, TX. 79912. Marlin Haines.

4403 Fred W. Lemons, 10927 S.

Knoxville, Tulsa, OK. 74137. Dollars, Franklins. Homer Dotts.

4404 (D-1) B.R. Harkins, Box 724, Newark, TX. 76071. All numismatics. Gerald Kendall.

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Here's all you have to do to enter competition - submit a typewritten report of club activities during the calendar year 1983, no later than Mar. 1, 1984 to Club Salute, Tarry Towne Apts. C26, 315 Vance Jackson, San Antonio, Tx. 78201 and include the following:

1. Name of club and how many members do you have?
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3. Types of programs usually held.
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8. Describe how your club meetings, and coin shows, if you hold any, are publicized.
9. During the past year, did your club or any member, have any special honor bestowed?
10. Describe any efforts your club has made to further and encourage numismatics, and to increase interest in the club.
11. During the past year what has your club done to increase membership?
12. In what ways does your club encourage junior membership and participation in numismatics?
13. Describe anything not covered above which your club has done to publicize and generate understanding of, and interest in, numismatics.

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OCTOBER 8-9

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OCTOBER 22-23

TEXOMALAND COIN CLUB, annual show, Holiday Inn, Denison. **WRITE:** Club, Box 854, Denison 75020.

OCTOBER 22-23

AMARILLO COIN CLUB, Fall Show, Civic Center. **BOURSE:** Homer Dotts, 1315 Dahlia, Amarillo 79107.

OCTOBER 29-30

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NUMISMATIC INTERNATIONAL, Dallas, 5th annual NICE, Marriott Hotel Quorum. **BOURSE:** Ross Schraeder, Box 6094, Richardson 75080.

NOVEMBER 26-27

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JANUARY 27-29

GREATER HOUSTON COIN CLUB, 27th annual Money Show, Adam's Mark Hotel. **WRITE:** Club, Box 2963, Houston 77001.

MARCH 17-18

GATEWAY COIN CLUB, annual show, Broadway Plaza Motel, Loop 410 & Broadway, San Antonio. Details later.

MAY 4-6

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN., annual convention, Civic Center, Amarillo. Headquarters: Quality Inn. **BOURSE:** Homer Dotts, 1315 Dahlia, Amarillo 79107. (806/383-8680 or 355-5053)

MAY 19-20

WACO COIN CLUB, annual show. Convention Center. Details later.

JULY 13-15

DALLAS COIN CLUB, annual coin show, North Park Inn, Grand Ballroom. **WRITE:** Show, Box 7673, Dallas 75209.

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District Meetings

DISTRICT I -

Friends of Bob Neely, member of **Stephenville Coin Club** were saddened to learn of his death on August 20. Bob, formerly of San Angelo, was a Life Member of TNA and a past governor serving District III.



Morris Johnson
Governor

At one of the August meetings, Stephenville club members planned for an open auction on October 15 beginning at 3 p.m. One hundred auction lots will be offered for sale.

The club meets at Red Bandana Steak House twice a month and averages 25 in attendance. — **Lorene Randals, Sec.**

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DISTRICT III —

The August meeting of **Key City Coin Club** of Abilene, attended by 18 members, was devoted to a discussion of the upcoming coin show, the auction and a swap session. The show is set for October 8-9 at Kiva Inn. The meeting was held at United Savings Bldg.

Russ Souders won the door prize.
— **Frances Thornton, Sec.**

Tex Coin Club has planned two coin shows in October and November. The first will be held October 22-23 in Temple at Holiday Inn, I-35 & Nugent and second is scheduled for November 19-20 at Brady Civic Center in Brady. Both shows are being held to further the re-organization of the **Temple Coin Club** and **Brady Coin Club**.

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DISTRICT IV —

During the past few months members of **Waco Coin Club** have discussed ways to reach and involve local youth in numismatics and the club. Joe Olson reported that he had contacted local Boy Scout officials and that before contacting individual Scout Masters or troops, the group must meet with the local Boy Scout Master's Roundtable and convey the intentions. Joe and Weldon Wilkerson were appointed to meet with the Roundtable and extend an invitation to meet with the club.



Dr. Robert Greenwood
Governor

Thirteen members were in attendance at the August meeting at T.P. & L. Center — **J.P. Jones**, Vice Pres.

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DISTRICT V —

Frank Clark presented a program on "The 1953 Dallas ANA Convention" reviewing the convention and festivities surrounding it at the August meeting of **Dallas Coin Club**. The 1953 convention was the first one to be held in the south and the Dallas club celebrated its 25th anniversary at the same time. Convention ribbons and medals were on display.

C.C. Andrews received a special ANA educational award for giving 10 programs before the Dallas group. Andrews reported that the July coin show was a complete success and he was appointed to head the 1984 show. Tom Ragsdale won the door prize. — **Frank Clark**, Sec.

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A program on "Some Categories of Currency Errors" was given by Barney Welch at the August meeting of **Garland Coin Club**. Barney discussed the errors and stated that the two most common errors are the "off-center" and the "ink smears." Although they are not considered errors, the palindromes, or radar notes, provided an interesting discussion.

Winning the door prize was Margaret Bonds and welcomed as new members were Robert and Anna Moore. — **Lucretia Johnson**, Sec.

DISTRICT VI —

A games night was planned for members of **Bellaire Coin Club** on September 6 along with a short business session and an auction. For the September 19 meeting, a surprise program, auction and games were to take place.



Al Loja
Governor

The club enjoyed a fair profit from the August coin show which enables the club to keep operating during the year. — **Club Bulletin**.

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DISTRICT VII -

"Identification of German States Minors" was the subject of a slide set showing by Lee Grossman at the August 25 meeting of **Alamo Coin Club** of San Antonio. Lee also gave a talk on the "Three-Legged Buffalo Nickel" at the August 11 meeting.



Frank Galindo
Governor

Prize winners were Sharon Wallace, Laurine Meyer, Grossman, Kate Cooke, Sam McClung and Harold Eiserloh. — **Club Bulletin**.

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The annual coin show sponsored by **Gateway Coin Club** of San

Antonio is set for March 17-18 at Broadway Plaza Hotel, Loop 410 & Broadway. Details will be announced at a later date.

Nominations for new officers were to be made at the September 8 meeting with election following on September 28. Fred and Catheren England were named Lifetime Members in appreciation of their many years of unselfish contributions to the club. Fred was longtime club treasurer.

Lee Grossman planned to present programs on "Mexican Heroes on Coins" and "Is It Really a Three-Legged Buffalo Nickel?" Winning prizes were Ray Tate, Homer Mason, Sharon Dougherty, Frank Galindo, George Dougherty, Shane Schirmer, Marcus Brown, Ed Witt and Sonny Schirmer. — Club Bulletin.

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DISTRICT VIII —

Liberty Coin Club of Corpus Christi will hold its 22nd annual coin show at Bayfront Plaza Convention Center on October 8-9. David Walzel is bourse chairman and Louis Gonzales is general chairman. For last-minute information, write the Club, Box 7001, Corpus Christi 78415.

Jerry Barker, representative for Bache, presented a program on "Investments." Barker suggested that now is the time to be cautious



Joe B. Davis
Governor

and to buy hard assets while waiting for the market to improve. He also stressed diversity and said numismatic coins were at a premium at this time.

At the August 30 meeting, a slide program was presented which had been arranged by the Ogden Coin Club and their club president W. Mumford. It featured the coins of the early colonists at Jamestown and Plymouth following their days of no stores and bartering activities. Entitled "Coins & Currency of Early America," the set showed wampum, beads, tobacco and corn used as currency. Then came the Spanish American eight reales from Mexico which ended in "bits" for small change.

— Club Bulletin.

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A glimpse of Canada was to be the treat at the September 6 meeting of **Corpus Christi Coin Club**. Glen and Amber Littrell, having returned from the Canadian Numismatic Assn. convention in Mocton, N.B., Canada, planned to show a slide set featuring the story of the sailing vessel "Old Bluenose" which appears on the Canadian dime; the tale of the 1871 Prince Edward Island large cent; and the train wreck that helped to distribute the Canadian 1896 large cent.

At the August 23 meeting, Littrell presented an ANA slide program on "Morgan Dollar Varieties." It was reported that Billy Miller was recovering from surgery. — Club Bulletin.

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DISTRICT IX —

New officers were elected for Lamb County Coin Club of Littlefield. They are: E.L. Merriott, president; Lamonte Pitzer, vice president; D.O. Joplin, secretary; and Gus Clark, treasurer. Eleven members met in the Reddy Room.

An auction was conducted with proceeds going toward the purchase of a slide set on "Counterfeiting." A total of \$87.00 was raised with a balance of \$110.00 needed. Dr. J.H. Oyer won the door prize. — Ed Chauncey, Gov. Dist. 9.

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Ed Chauncey, TNA District IX governor, reported on the TNA convention to be held May 4, 5, 6 in Amarillo at the August meeting of South Plains Coin Club of Lubbock. Twenty-one were present.

Jim Hall conducted the auction and D.O. Joplin won the door prize. — Ed Chauncey, Gov. Dist. 9.

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DISTRICT XI —

The main order of business for members of Amarillo Coin Club has been plans for the 1984 TNA convention and the club's fall coin show. The show will be on October 22-23 at Amarillo Civic Center. Ho-



Ed Chauncey
Governor



Nela Runkle
Governor

mer Dotts, 1315 Dahlia, Amarillo 79107, is bourse chairman. The TNA convention will also be held at the Civic Center on May 4, 5, 6. Dotts is also convention bourse chairman.

Everyone had a delightful time at the annual club picnic at Ellwood Park on August 9. Barbecue, and all the trimmings, was served to 67 members and their families.

At the August 2 regular meeting educational awards were received by Dr. Wm. Stout and Homer Dotts. R.C. Tipton won the junior drawing and door prize winners were Robert Fortner, R.L. Tompkins, Ann Wilson, Roy Wilson and Darrell Tipton. — Nela Runkle, Gov. Dist. 11.

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DISTRICT XIII —

At the August 18 meeting of Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club heard an account of activities of a Prospectors' Club in California given by Marion Harnocker who has been a member since 1972. The club is non-profit and has a current membership of more than 500.

Harnocker said the club owns two gold mining claims, offers prizes for the find of the month and enjoys many interesting programs. Field trips searching for buried treasure are scheduled and the club owns several devices for modern gold panning.

Routine reports of previous meeting and club activities were made by club officers. Woody Taylor was winner of the adult door prize. A number of door prizes went to children who were present. Twenty-six members and guests enjoyed the program, the refreshment break and the auction of stamps and coins. Two of the guests, James M. Pirkle

and John N. Kondratick became members, making a total of 68 paid-up members. — **Pauline Copelin, Sec.**

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DISTRICT XIV —

Members of Hidalgo Coin Club met at Valley Federal Savings & Loan Bldg. in Pharr with 14 members present. Bert Wahl called the meeting to order in the absence of the president, Walter Cross.

Wahl displayed foreign coins including some from England and France. Norma Mather gave a short talk about a catalog showing coin banks of various shapes. Mr. McKay won the door prize. Jack Fortson was the auctioneer for the six lots. — **Helen Snider, Acting Sec.**

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DISTRICT XV —

Steve Pecora was in charge of the program at the Beaumont Coin Club and he described the first metric coin issued and was known as the Shield nickel. It contained 75 percent copper and 25 percent nickel. The Shield nickel first appeared in 1866 and lasted 18 years.



**Jerry A. Williams
Governor**

George May conducted the auction before the refreshment break. Door prizes were won by Sid King, Shelly Petksovak, A.M. Dunlap, John Gleason and James Eldridge. — **Linda Dowden, Sec.**

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The program for the evening at Greater Orange Coin Club meeting was given by Jerry Williams and Steve Pecora. Jerry talked on altering and counterfeiting coins. He discussed coins most frequently counterfeited and design parts most likely to be changed. Steve posed questions on coin collecting which could be answered with one word, creating a lively discussion.

Winning prizes were Pecora, Joyce Goddard, Mary Mires, Ed White and Lavada Canter. Plans for the 1984 coin show were discussed and the club will consider a new location. — **Lucy Canter, Sec.**

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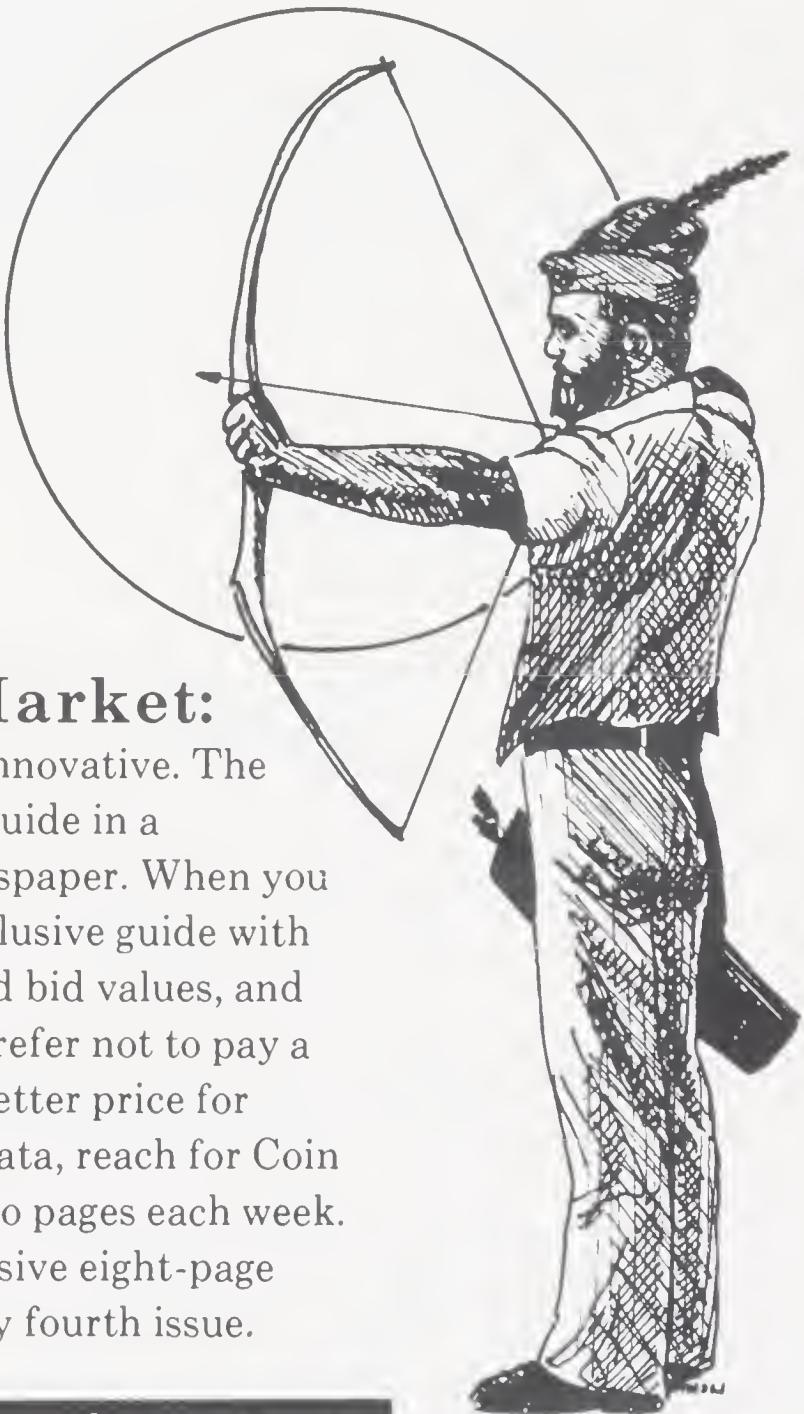
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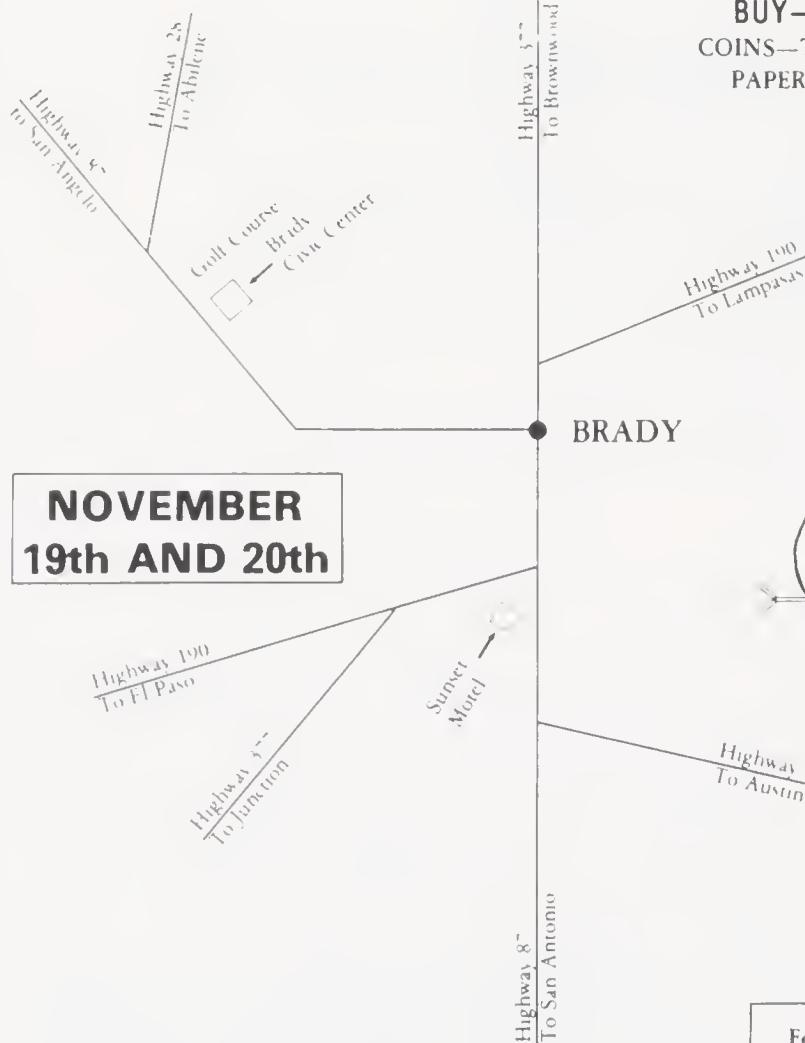
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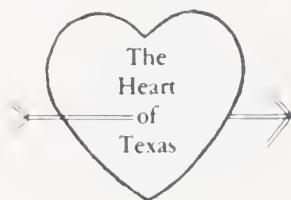
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